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C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 0719

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OCLR, TPHY, ID, IN

SUBJECT: R:V THOMAS WASHINGTON

REFS: A. NEW DELHI 17014, 12/23/74

B. STATE 281131, 12/26/74

C. NEW DELHI 0105, 1/3/75

D. JAKARTA 0369

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED A NOTE FROM THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DATED JANUARY 3, 1975 WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND, WITH REFERENCE TO THEIR NOTE NO. 548, DATED THE 23RD DECEMBER, 1974, REGARDING THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY OCEANOGRAPHIC EXPEDITION THAT THE SCRIPPS INSTITUTION OF OCEANOGRAPHY, SAN DIEGO, PLANS TO THE WESTERMOST PACIFIC AND EASTERN INDIAN OCEAN DURING DECEMBER 1974 THROUGH FEBRUARY 1975, HAS THE HONOUR TO STATE THAT THE PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN THE EMBASSY'S

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NOTE REQUIRES A REFERENCE TO THE VARIOUS CONCERNED

AUTHORITIES IN INDIA, WHICH IS A TIME-CONSUMING PROCESS.  
IS, THEREFORE, REGRETTED THA THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CELAR THE PROPOSAL WITHIN SUCH A SHORT  
TIME.

"THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS  
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICAN THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."

2. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT IN THE FUTURE THAT OFFICIAL  
REQUESTS OF THIS KIND BE SENT AT LEAST FIVE TO SIX MONTHS  
IN ADVANCE TO THE EMBASSY, SINCE THERE ARE MANY LEVELS OF  
GOVERNMENT THAT SUCH REQUESTS MUST CLEAR.

3. IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT HAD A REQUEST BEEN MADE EARLIER FOR  
THE R/V THOMAS WASHINGTON TO RESEARCH ON THE CONTINENTAL  
SHELF AND NOT WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL WATERS OF INDIA,  
THEIR APPROVAL MIGHT HAVE BEEN GIVEN, BUT WE ARE NOT AT ALL  
SURE OF THIS.

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